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120 Cities in 50 States and DC Will Have Freedom Walks to Commemorate September 11

<http://www.americasupportsyou.mil/americasupportsyou/index.aspx>

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NEWS

Neighborhood America Supports Initiative to Improve National Security

Neighborhood America has been selected to support public outreach for the development of the National Blueprint for Secure Communities.

http://www.neighborhoodamerica.com/docs/newsletter_aug06.htm

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FEATURE

National Strategy for Pandemic Flu

http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/interapp/editorial/editorial_0760.xml

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REPORTS

GAO Reports call for improvements to DHS response plans

http://www.govexec.com/story_page.cfm?articleid=34935&dcn=e_gvet

One of the reports (GAO-06-618) called for greater **cooperation** among all levels of government when the next disaster strikes, more thorough testing of operational strategies, and improved and continuous **communication** from federal entities down.

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CALENDAR

September 17: Celebrate the U.S. Constitution

<http://www.archives.gov/dc-metro/events/index.html#1>

Sept. 22: Government Marketing Best Practices in Vienna, VA

<http://www.governmentmarketingbestpractices.com/gmbp-registration.html>

The event is designed for the private sector, but it also attracts government employees.

Oct. 19: Leading in a Complex World

http://www.fcg.gov/documents/ASQ_Maryland_flyer.pdf

FCG CEO Anne Kelly will speak.

Oct. 26: 2006 Communicators Conference: Government & Media, Perception & Reality

<http://guest.cvent.com/EVENTS/Info/Invitation.aspx?e=b01bf988-8bf3-4c1d-b8ad-7a469a89b810>

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